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## REMARKS

In compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 and the terms of the <u>December 4, 2006</u> Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, only the section of the amendment filed November 13, 2006 requiring correction has been submitted, i.e., the "new claims".

Applicant's initial response to the Office action of October 13, 2006 addressed the status of original pending claims 1-46. The response further included the addition of new claims 47-52.

Applicant's abbreviated remarks as filed in the November 13, 2006 response are reiterated. Claims 1-52 are now pending in this application. Claims 1-46 were pending in this application. Claims 18-20 and 46 have been amended to more particularly specify the invention. Claims 47-52 have been added.

## **CONCLUSION**

As this response is being filed within the one month of thirty (30) days from the mail date of the December 4, 2006 notice, this response is considered to be timely. As such, no fees are believed due in connection with the filing of this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any required fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2168 should any fees and/or overpayments be made known.

Respectfully submitted,

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